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# **Briefly**



#### **Changing directions**

Arnold Avenue will be a one-way street starting Aug. 15. The new street (beginning at First Street) will have the left lane for thru-way travel, and the right lane for student pick up and drop off.

#### **Major selectees**

Twelve Holloman captains were recently selected for promotion to major:

49th Mission Support Sq.

Sean Marler

7th Combat Training Sq.

Ines Agosto

8th Fighter Sq.

Hobart Alford

Troy Henderson

Ian Phillips

20th Fighter Sq.

Mitchell Migliori

49th Operations Support Sq.

James Thompson

4th Space Control Sq.

William Holland Anthony Mastalir

Hans Thatcher

**AFELM U.S. Northern Command** 

J. D. Benson Jr.

586th Flight Test Sq.

James Lake

#### **Blood drive**

There is a blood drive from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Aug. 12 at the Whispering Sands Community Center.

#### Back to school

Julie Wellborn, wife of Staff Sqt. Shawn Wellborn, 4th Space Control Squadron, shops for school supplies at the base exchange to prepare for the upcoming school year. Registration at Holloman schools for all students is from 8 a.m. to noon, Aug. 6, 7 and 8. Alamogordo High School registration is from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Aug. 12 and 13 in the high school cafeteria. New students need a copy of their birth certificate, social security card and vaccination record to register. Classes begin Aug. 21.



Photo by Tech. Sqt. Paul Coupaud

# New child policy takes effect

by Laura Pellegrino Sunburst staff writer

A revised policy for the safety and welfare of children at Holloman was put into effect July

"The new policy tells parents the *minimum* age their children can be left alone, under various circumstances. Some children may need to be a bit older than the policy allows before they can be given this responsibility," said Howard Hill, 49th Medical Group family outreach manager.

"Parents must comply with this policy, but they must also use their judgment and common sense to determine when and if their child can be left alone."

Among other changes, the new policy allows children 10 years of age or older to be left unattended in a vehicle. "Research has shown that by that age, children are more likely to get out of a vehicle that has become too hot, or otherwise too dangerous for them," said Hill. "A younger child will stay in the car if a parent tells them to, regardless of the danger."

The new policy requires any child under 10 years old to be with a responsible adult, or another child at least 12 years old, if left in a car.

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# Offroading areas available for use

To avoid further damage to Holloman wildlife areas, the base Environmental Flight compiled a list of areas for off-road driving:

The **Triple T Site** is approximately 100 acres in size. A traditional use site not yet sanctioned by the state for off-road activities.

The **Sacramento Ranger District** in the Lincoln National Forest is approximately 55 miles of trails and 1,000 miles of roads. Contact 682-2551 for information.

The **Red Sands Off-Road Vehicle Use Area** is more than 60 square miles in size. Contact 525-4391 or 525-4300 for information.

Maps are available at outdoor recreation.





High: 96 Low: 66 SATURDAY



High: 95 Low: 68



High: 96 Low: 67

Weather forecast provided by the 49th Operations Support Squadron Weather Flight

# Nighthawk pilot wins British airshow award

by Laura Pellegrino Sunburst staff writer

On July 19, an F-117A and the Royal Air Force's Red Arrows flew together for the first time

The different aircraft performed together at the Royal International Air Tattoo, RAF Fairford, United Kingdom, the world's largest military air show.

For their performance, Squadron Leaders Richie "Harry" Matthews, from the 9th Fighter Squadron, and Spike Jepson, Leader of the Red Arrows, were presented with the King Hussein Memorial Award by Prince Feisal of Jordan for best overall flying demonstration.

The Red Arrows are the RAF's equivalent to the USAF Thunderbirds, said Lt. Col. Patrick McCrea, 9th Fighter Squadron director of operations. Matthews is a

British exchange officer and ex-Red Arrows pilot who is familiar with their operations.

During the show, Matthews started with a normal F-117A airshow demonstration then joined the Red Arrows formation, McCrea said.

The team flew in front of the crowd of international spectators numbering 200,000. For that unique flyby, Matthews and Red Arrows Squadron Leader Spike Jepson earned the top award.

The United States does not normally do displays with other nations, Matthews said. "The reason we put this package together was to demonstrate the contrast between precision formation aircraft of the Red Arrows and our precision strike aircraft, the Nighthawk," Matthews said. "Normally, the F-117A is seen on its own."

The idea first came from

Matthews' wife, Marion. She suggested something different such as getting the F-117A together with the Red Arrows which had never been done before.

"I had to seek higher authority permission and Brig. Gen. James Hunt sent the request up to the com-

mander of Air Combat Command for final approval,"
Matthews said.

The flyby combination received the award because the



Photo by E J Koningsvel

A Holloman F-117A Nighthawk piloted by Squadron Leader Richie Matthews joins a Red Arrows formation.

Red Arrows and F-117A was an eye-catching, unusual and a really interesting sight for the British crowd, Matthews said.
"I know that the public at

home are fascinated by the F-117A," he said. "The flyby highlighted the F-117A and presented an excellent image for both the USAF and RAF."

# 'Old school' principal brings new ideas to **HAFB** primary school

by Airman 1st Class Vanessa LaBoy 49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

When classes start at Holloman Primary Aug. 21 there won't be just new students, there will be a new principal as well.

With more than 23 years of academic experience, Jerry Lott is now bringing his skills and old school ideas to Team Holloman's children.

Lott, formerly the assistant principal at Chaparral Middle School in Alamogordo, has been working in Alamogordo public schools since 2000. The majority of his academic experience comes from his time working in administration and teaching in his hometown, Clovis, N.M. He started his career in 1978 teaching physical education at the elementary school he had attended.

A former elementary school teacher of his encouraged him to return to college and become certified in

teaching at Eastern New Mexico University. After earning his certification, he taught reading, sixth grade education and physical education.

He also became the vice principal at his former junior high and an administrator at his former high school.

"I'm from the old school. I believe what you get out of your community, you put back into your community," Lott said. "I received a good education while I was in Clovis. I had wonderful teachers from elementary all the way through high school. I wanted to give something back."

At Holloman Primary, Lott plans to incorporate some of his old school ideas to make Holloman Primary a better place for Team Holloman's children to learn and have fun.

"To have a good learning environment, number one it takes a good quality, educated and caring staff," Lott said. "We have that here at

Holloman Primary; from the custodians to the teachers, we all have a part to play in the education of these children. I believe it takes a community to educate a child."

According to Lott, he plans to improve the primary school by incorporating more technology into their curricu-

"Technology is pushing the world today," Lott said. "These young kids need to get on board at a very early age, just like reading and writing. They need to learn the basics at a very early age in life so that they will be able to open the doors of opportunity

Although Lott believes technology is very important to keep up with and learn, he said that children still need to learn how to apply basic principles and use the tools we have now.

"Children still need the old school techniques," Lott said. "What I would like to see is the children applying themselves with modern day technology that we provide."

Lott said the most important part of his job is to be available to students, parents and teachers to make sure the school is running like a well oiled machine.

"I consider a child's education to be an equilateral



#### Jerry Lott brings 23 years of experience and a belief in traditional education values to Holloman Primary School.

triangle," Lott said. "The school has a job, the parents have a job and the students have a job. If any side of that triangle weakens the whole thing falls in. We all have to work together to keep all sides strengthened and ensure these children attain a good quality education."

(Editor's Note: This is part one of a two-part series on the new principals here. Next's weeks Sunburst will feature the principal at Holloman Middle School.)

# Father retires, son crosses into the blue

by Laura Pellegrino Sunburst staff writer

A member of the 49th Maintenance Group Munitions Storage Element retired after 20 years of service. On the same day, his son enlisted in the Air Force.

Tech. Sgt. Timothy Lawson said he's overjoyed that his son, Jonathan, will be following in his footsteps.

"He's carrying on a tradition," said Lawson's wife, Brenda, 49th Communications Squadron budget technician.

Lawson's father was in the navy. His brother is in the Army and Brenda's brother is in the Marines.

At his retirement ceremony,

Lawson received the Air Force Commendation Medal for Meritorious Service from Feb. 3, 2001 to July 25, 2003.

During his time at Holloman, Lawson's expert leadership of the storage crews produced a flawless movement control and dispatch program and earned him the 2002 Air Combat Command's superior performer award, said 2nd Lt. Mike McNerney, 49th MXS Munitions Flight officer in charge.

"His dedication to providing top-notch support facilitated a thirty-two million dollar Department of Defense test program," McNerney said. "It was key to the Munitions Flight earning the 46th Test Group's 2002 Support Flight of the Year award."



Jonathan Lawson takes the oath of enlistment from First Lt. Marc Strohofer as his father, Tech. Sgt. Timothy Lawson, and narrator, 2nd Lt. Mike McNerney, look on.

Now Lawson, Brenda, and their son Bruce will move to Florida. Brenda said she thinks both her and her husband will

continue to work for the Air

In January, Jonathan will start basic training.

"I'm nervous," he sad. "I don't know what to expect, but I'm excited to be following in my father's footsteps."

# Youth, teen coordinator earns ACC recognition

by Laura Pellegrino Sunburst staff writer

When Air Combat Command visited the Youth and Teen Center in June, they liked what they saw.

In her seven months at the center, the new pre-teen coordinator, Tina Luderman, had made some improvements to the look and feel of the youth's activity areas. For her accomplishments, she was presented with ACC's Star Performer award.

"ACC recognized Tina Luderman as a shining example of hard work and dedication," said Lt. Col. Terri Toppin, 49th Services Squadron commander.

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Luderman said everything she does is for the youth.

"I felt the youth needed an exciting and fun place to hang out," Luderman said. "I thought with my experience I would be able to make the necessary changes."

Luderman redesigned the tween and teen rooms, added an arts and crafts room, and improved the snack bar.

She increased sales at the snack bar from \$200 to \$1500 a month by adding items like pizza, hot dogs, muffins, and ice cream. Previously, the snacks offered were limited to candy

#### CHILD

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According to Lt. Col. Christopher Thelen, 49th Mission Support Group deputy commander, the new policy, like its predecessor, helps safeguard the welfare of children on Holloman, requiring parents to provide an adequate level of adult supervision for their children, given each child's age and level of development and maturity.

"We kept only those requirements that are most vital to the safety and welfare of the children on Holloman, then refined those rules to better defend children from today's special challenges," Thelen said. "The net result is fewer rules for parents, more adult supervision for our most vulnerable children and a set of rules which is truly enforceable by our security forces 'cops on the beat."

"The policy spells out these rules in a simple, straightforward manner," said Thelen. "We know parents want to do the right thing for their children,



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Tina Luderman goes over files at the Youth and Teen Center here. Luderman earned the Air Combat Command Star Performer Award for her improvements at the Center.

bars and soda.

The youth loved the changes, Luderman said. Every day they would come in and ask, "What's new today," she said.

Luderman is an outstanding asset to Holloman, Toppin said.

"She immediately jumped into her new role as pre-teen coordinator at the Youth and Teen Center with enthusiasm," she said. "Her eagerness and willingness sent the pre-teen program soaring."

When Luderman received the award, she was grateful that her work was appreciated.

Recently, Luderman was asked to switch from pre-teen coordinator to school-age coordinator at the center. No matter what her job may be, she said she hopes to make a difference in the lives of children.

and that can be difficult if they don't understand – clearly – what's expected of them. 'I didn't know' or 'I didn't understand' have never been acceptable excuses for breaking the rules, but the new policy gives parents a very clear map to follow in safeguarding the welfare of their children."

Some parents may have the best intention of being back in a matter of minutes, while others think even very young children will be safe if left alone for several hours, but that isn't always the case, said Hill.

"Children are abducted, injured or killed every year without fail," he said, "Even in a safe environment like an Air Force base. This new policy helps parents make the right decisions for their children's welfare."

Base officials said the new policy will be widely disseminated on base. Signs will be posted in the major parking lots, the housing guide will include a copy of the policy, and visitors and newcomers will receive the policy when arriving at Holloman.

# Are you missing any body parts?

by Chief Master Sgt. Joe Lavigne Command Chief, 2nd Bomb Wing

The other day I had an interesting conversation about drastically changing the Enlisted Performance Report system. Someone suggested we totally do away with the numeric-based program, and even do away with writing all the flowery bullets to make sure the form is com-

pletely filled.

Instead, the form would simply be a drawing of a stick figure. Really simple. There would be room to draw two legs, a torso, two arms and a head. If, at the end of your rating period, your rater and the rater's rater felt you portrayed the "whole person" concept, they would draw a complete stick figure, and when you became eligible, you'd be able to take your promotion tests and compete for your next stripe.

If your picture wasn't complete, you simply wouldn't test. That would save you a lot of time studying, only to become frustrated when you weren't on the promotion list.

So exactly how would your rater decide what kind of person you are? Easy. As you know, the legs provide the basis for movement. One leg would represent your technical competence. If you had completed your necessary upgrade training, had been certified on all your core tasks and had mastered your trade, that leg would be drawn.

The other leg would represent your mastery of overall Air Force knowledge. Have you completed the appropriate levels of Professional Military Education?

Have you read any of the books on the Chief of Staff's or Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force's professional reading list? Have you

attended any
voluntary
professional
development
seminars? If so,
that leg would
also be
drawn.
Let's move

up to the torso. Here you'd be evaluated on how well you maintain standards. Do you look sharp in your uniform? Are you presenting a proper military image? Do you participate in a personal fitness program? Do you follow the instruc-

> you ensure your subordinates

tions you need to

safely and effec-

tively accomplish

the mission? Do

the standards as well?

To draw your left arm, your rater must be able to honestly say you are actively supporting your unit and the base. Are you out there helping your unit advisory council improve your squadron?

by Staff Sgt.

Do you occasionally pitch in some off-duty time to help with your booster club's efforts? What about being an "active" member in one or more professional organizations or one of the benevolent organizations dedicated to improving the quality of life for our troops? Remember, being active doesn't simply mean paying your dues and hanging around waiting for your going-away gift when you move, separate or retire.

The right arm is simple. Are you taking part in any community activities? The possibilities here are endless: youth groups, helping the aging, church groups, schools, support for community events.

Finally, the head must be drawn to signify your pursuit of a well-rounded education. Are you taking advantage of the programs offered by the Community College of the Air Force? If you've already received that degree, are you working toward a bachelor's, or perhaps a professional certification?

You need to understand and accept the fact that today's enlisted corps is becoming more and more highly educated than at any other time in the history of the Air Force. If you're not pursuing your education, you're behind your peers, plain and simple.

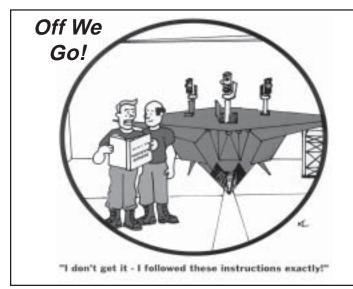
Will we ever adopt this form of evaluation system? You never know. If we do, will you be a complete person or will you have some missing body parts? The choice is yours.

By the way, this whole person concept isn't anything new. It's clearly outlined in Air Force Instruction 36-2618, The Enlisted Force Structure. We've been using the whole-person concept as a yardstick to measure people for years.

Be it a "Stripes for Exceptional Performance" promotion, selecting annual award winners, or picking our next batch of senior and chief master sergeants, the picture needs to be complete.

Why not take a few minutes to draw a picture of yourself? Or, ask your boss to. If you find you're missing some body parts, take action now. You'll be glad you did! (Courtesy of Air Combat Command News Service)

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# Olloman otline

572-7500



The Hotline is your direct link to the 49th Fighter Wing commander. If you've tried to solve the problem yourself and haven't been able to get results, call 572-7500 or e-mail *cc. hotline@holloman. af.mil.* Leave your name and phone number so the office of primary concern can contact you. Before submitting a Hotline,

please give the appropriate agencies a chance to work out the problem. If you want to pass on praise for a job well done, please contact the supervisor or commander directly who can provide the appropriate recognition to the individual or group. The unit commanders and agency chiefs want to help. Let them try first.

Housing Office 572-3981	<b>Base Exchange</b> 479-6164			
Housing Maintenance 572-7901	Fraud, Wast and Abuse 572-3713			
Finance	Medical Clinic			
572-5107	572-5991			
Services	Commissary			
572-3528	572-5127			

#### Gotta have the paperwork



Whenever I go to the base gas station, I can never get a receipt at the pump. I follow all the required instructions. It either says "error-see cashier" or it makes the sound as if it is giving

you a receipt but doesn't. I asked the cashier why the pumps never have any paper. She said that the paper isn't working for the pumps. This is such an inconvenience to have to find parking and go to the window for a receipt. Is anything being done to fix this problem?



I completely agree with you, and I am happy to say the problem has been resolved with the exception of one machine. The inside of pump one needs to be replaced, and it will be working prop-

erly by the end of the week. In the future, personnel will be checking the pumps at the beginning of every shift to ensure they have the necessary supplies. I appreciate you bringing this situation to my attention.

## **DWI** Update

Days since last DWI **DWIs** year to date **DWIs this time** last year

Last six DWIs: 49 CES July 7 49 MXS June 26 • 49 LRS June 12 49 MMS June 7

572-RIDE works!

Calls MADE are lives SAVED.

Calls: Year to date: 324 Last week: 18

• 49 LRS\* (The DWI update and 572-RIDE reflect FY 2003. The \* denotes family member or civilian employee.)

49 MXS\*

#### **Holloman Chapel Services**

Weekday Masses - 11:30 a.m., Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Sunday - Catholic Mass, 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

• Sacrament of Penance, 4 p.m.

• General Protestant Worship Service, 11 a.m.

**May 31** 

March 2

• Protestant Contemporary Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.

• Protestant and Catholic Religious Education resumes Sept. 14

Call 572-7214 for more information.

### 49th Fighter Wing **Commander's Access Channel**

The commander's access channel, cable channel 3, offers up-to-date information about current security conditions, closures on base, hours of various programs on base and community information about what programs and events are available at Holloman and in the local area. The commander's access channel also features the following videos today through Thursday:

- Air Force Television News: 6 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.
- A Common Road: Motorcycles and Cars: 7 a.m., 12 p.m., 3 p.m. and 6 p.m.



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### **HAFB** committee prepares for ball

Holloman Air Force Base's "Air Force Ball" to celebrate the Air Force's 56th birthday and the Centennial of Flight will be Oct. 18. Committee members will begin selling tickets for the Ball Sept. 1.

In preparation for the ball, the Holloman Birthday Ball Committee is hosting a chili cook-off with a pie-in-theface contest for dessert from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Aug. 8 at the Base Chapel Annex. If you wish to participate in the chili cook-off, call Lisa Sanchez at 572-5507.

According to 1st Lt. Heather Newcomb, chairman of the Birthday Ball Committee, any Holloman members can stop by the chapel annex for lunch and purchase a bowl of chili, crackers and soda for \$2.

People who wish to vote on a volunteer to receive a pie-in-the-face should see their first sergeant for information.



Corrine Bachman designed the winning coin design entry for Holloman's Air Force Birthday and Centennial of Flight Ball. The coin design above will be the evening's memento.



The 49th Security Forces Squadron handled the following incidents July 22 to 28.

#### **Tickets**

Security forces issued a total of 19 citations this week: one for creating the appearance of an emergency vehicle, one for failure to stop, one for failure to wear a safety belt, one for following too closely, one for head lights inoperable, one for limitations on backing, one for no driver's license, one for possible abandoned vehicle and expired registration, eight for speeding one to 10 mph over the posted speed limit, and three for speeding 11 to 20 mph over the posted speed limit.

#### Property loss, theft or damage

- July 22: An NCO reported a damaged exit sign at dorm 452.
- July 22: A civilian employee reported a blue Kelty Rain Hood and blue Kelty convertible stroller/backpack stolen from Outdoor Recreation.
- July 22: A civilian employee reported her wallet stolen at building 811.
- July 23: An NCO driving a privately owned vehicle reported he hit another POV when he went to make a turn.

- July 23: An airman reported a domestic disturbance at his residence.
- July 25: A retiree driving a POV reported he hit another POV while backing out of a parking spot.
- July 28: An airman driving a POV reported she hit another POV while backing out of a parking spot.

#### Patrol response

- July 25: An AAFES employee reported two drivers drove off in their POVs without paying for gas.
- July 26: Two airmen were apprehended for underage drinking and failure to obey.
- July 27: A senior NCO reported a gas type odor emitting from somewhere around his residence.
- July 28: A family member reported a gas smell outside of her residence.
- July 28: An AAFES employee reported an individual drove off in their POV without paying for their fuel.

#### ID cards, decals and badges

A dependant identification card was seized. If personnel have a military issued ID card stolen or lost, or a DD Form 2220 stolen from a vehicle or missing from the squadron's inventory, report it to security forces at 572-7171 immediately.

If you have any information concerning any of these incidents, please contact security forces at 572-7171 or your first sergeant. For the Crime Stop Help Line, please contact security forces at 572-1100 or dial "911".

# Kicking down the door The first strike of Operation Iraqi Freedom

by Capt. Alana Casanova
AFOSI Public Affairs

As they emerged from the mission planning room, there was but only one thought on their minds ... this was to be the mission of their lives. One of the F-117 pilots then turned to the man walking next to him. "This is it, Bruiser. This is exactly what you prepared us to do."

Just a few short hours following that affirmation of capability, Lt. Col. Dave Toomey, 8th Fighter Squadron commander, flew his F-117 Nighthawk over Baghdad, locked onto his target, dropped his satellite-guided bombs, and ultimately started Operation Iraqi Freedom. The mission; strike a newly accessible, time-sensitive "target of opportunity" and decapitate Saddam Hussein's regime.

Helping Toomey get to that focal point in history was a critical contingent of OSI support. Embedded with the flying squadron was one of OSI's own. "Bruiser" was his call sign while embedded and deployed with the F-117 squadron. At home, he's Special Agent Steve Bruzzini, operations officer at Det. 705, Kirtland AFB, N.M. And according to Toomey,

the time-sensitive mission, and the capability to accomplish it, would never have been possible had it not been for OSI and Bruzzini's direct efforts.

The mission blazed a new trail for the optimal utilization of OSI agents in theater and contingency operations. "We tapped into a valuable, and relatively unused, mine of capability when we hooked up with OSI," Toomey said. "Eighteen months ago our flying community thought OSI was only here to target criminals and drug dealers. We had no idea OSI agents had expertise on the battlefield and so much to offer the warfighters."

#### A 'new' task force

The capability theater commanders needed was tasked to the Air Force. The Air Force already had a response to the call because of the vision Chief of Staff, Gen. John Jumper, had in 2001 when he commanded Air Combat Command. That vision, then called the Global Strike Task Force, was to meet the ever-evolving challenges and capabilities of warfighters, enabled by predictive battle space awareness,

thereby providing decision-makers the possibility to calculate the actions the enemy would be most prepared, and likely, to make. Jumper first mentioned a U.S. led, "kick-down-the-door" philosophy of garnering the upper hand immediately in future wars.

For OIF, the name changed but its tenor did not, and the Global Response Task Force was employed for time-critical targeting.

The GRTF concept utilizes intelligence data to provide alert strike platforms, based in selected forward operating locations,

with the ability to launch and receive updates to allow

leaders to respond rapidly to fleeting targets or targets of opportunity. The F-117 strike, led by Toomey, was tailored specifically to support the GRTF, and encapsulated the "kick-down-the-door" philosophy to its utmost capability. It was the first time to see it in action.

#### OSI answers the call

To fully understand the extreme state of readiness and capabilities of the F-117s in the early dawn hours of March 19, and OSI's role in them, you must first roll the calendar back 18 months. Contingency planners contacted the 49th Fighter Wing at Holloman AFB, N.M., in hopes of working together to explore an expansion of F-117 tactics. "They wanted to offer U.S. military leaders new capabilities and tactics for utilization in contingency operations," Toomey explained.

In order for his unit to effectively cater to the challenge, the pilots and crews trained and learned all they could from the information and technology that was available. Nonetheless, it seemed that a critical component, one that would put them on the cutting edge of their jet's capability,

was still missing. That's when Toomey discovered it wasn't aircraft technology alone that would help them, but instead, a vital human component in the form of the OSI.

The F-117 unit was married up to Region 7's special access capabilities via a track put forth by a host of OSI units. "The 8th Fighter Squadron commander contacted OSI and requested assistance with a unique, special program requirement," explained Col. Harris Richards, Region 7 commander. "The detachment commander, after evaluating the requirement to quickly integrate sensitive technology and provide other specialized support, contacted Region 7 for the special access support needs."

In response to the request, Region 7 arranged for Bruzzini to provide dedicated support along with other OSI assistance. Bruzzini then formed a bridge between elements of the 49th FW, other OSI

community to facilitate the rapid development, testing and fielding of tactics combined with advanced technology. The total OSI support package came from the staffs at Regions 2,

units, and the special access

3, 5 and 7, specialized technical services and CCI support, and many agents in the field.

"The coordinated OSI package provided the 49th Fighter Wing with multidiscipline operations security evaluations, tailored real-time threat assessments, and in-theater 'how to' advice," Richards said.

#### Exercise! Exercise! Exercise!

Stealth is the mantra of the F-117 Night-hawk. But stealth can be compromised if the enemy is anticipating its arrival. And the Iraqis were expecting a visit from the U.S. Air Force in one form or another. Although the Nighthawk is a nocturnal weapon delivery system, a major challenge was buried in trying to get Toomey's squadron into theater without being detected. Surely, if their movements were known, the integrity of their future mission would be compromised.

"We conducted a series of exercises in an 18-month period, during which I recommended actions based on specific threats that would help the flyers move quietly and securely into operating locations," Bruzzini said.

That series of exercises was the key

enabler of the March 19 target of opportunity and according to Toomey was the epitome of the "train like you fight" way of Air Force life.

The information sharing and mutual understanding that occurred between the pilots, mission planners and OSI was critical. According to Bruzzini and Toomey, there were a lot of invalid perceptions about what each organization did. They educated each other on their missions, their capabilities and what each would bring to the table during a contingency. Together, they learned how to integrate to the fullest extreme.

"I didn't know what he did," Toomey said, "and he didn't know what we did. But by the end of the exercises, and ultimately in Iraq, Bruiser was part of the 8th Fighter Squadron. There was no 'us' and 'them' mentality. I wanted to pull off his OSI patch and give him a Black Sheep patch to wear permanently."

#### Lesson learned and implemented

All of their training culminated in the commencing stages of OIF. As an embedded agent to support Toomey's unit in Iraq, Bruzzini capitalized on the collective OSI efforts to first get the unit into theater, and then to operate from within. It was exactly like they had trained.

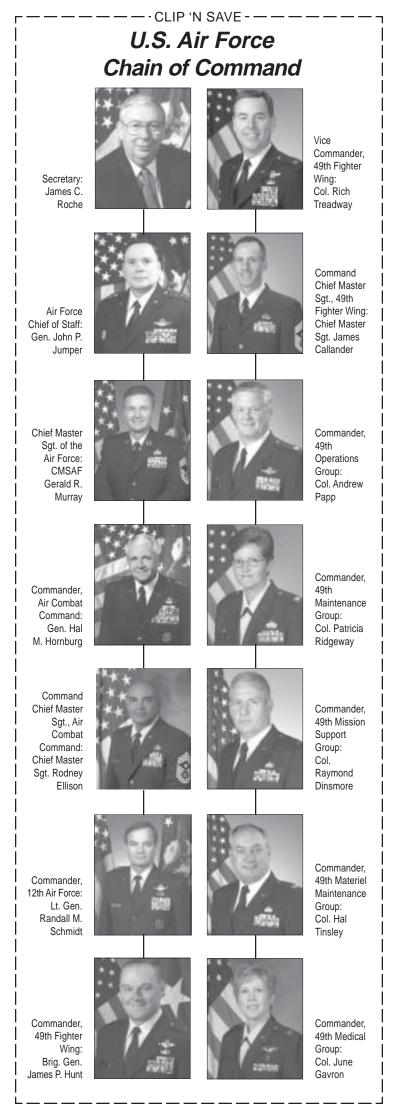
Keeping faithful to their training,
Toomey said that he would
not have deployed without
Bruzzini, and ensured that
he deployed with the ad-

vanced party team. Deeper than the encompassing support umbrella provided by OSI in the field, Bruzzini was much more intimately involved with the flying unit.

"That was the difference," Toomey explained. "I wanted to make sure OSI was embedded with our unit, providing direct support. He shared our office space and lived with us."

Both agree that the exercises and first wartime utilization has ultimately laid the groundwork for an overarching course correction in OSI support to the warfighter. "The flying community found a new door that opened to a whole new and huge spectrum of support to the warfighter," Toomey said. "We learned that OSI is not a mere support function providing us with force protection, but is exceptionally key in wartime interoperability and flexibility."

"This deployment was hands-down, the best experience I've had over my 15 years of service," Bruzzini concluded. "I had the unique opportunity to live and work side-by-side with the greatest pilots in the world and see all the elements of OSI come together to provide absolutely first-class combat support. The efforts of each agent at home and abroad greatly contributed to the collapse of a brutal regime and I'm truly honored to have been part of that team."



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# Holloman Hero Staff Sgt. Robin E. O. Richardson

49th Logistics Readiness Squadron

Duty title: Maintenance Supply Liaison Technician

Time in service: Nine years Time at Holloman: Four years Hometown: East St. Louis, Ill. Personal and career goals:

reer are you most proud of?

To learn all I can about the logistics career field, make technical sergeant next year and continue my off-duty education.

#### Why is serving in the Air Force important to you?

Serving in the Air Force is important to me because it makes me feel as though I am doing my part to make this world a better place. Every day I put on this uniform I feel as though I am representative of all of the wonderful freedoms this country possesses. What accomplishment during your Air Force ca-

The accomplishment I'm most proud of is the moment when I deployed. I deployed last summer to Uzbekistan to support Operation Enduring Freedom. I learned so much about my career field and myself during that short amount of time. I realized I'm capable of standing up to any challenge I may face during my military career.

#### Core value portrayed: "Excellence in all we do"

While Richardson portrays all core values, "Excellence in all we do" stands out. She displays the work ethic of a true professional, giving 110 percent every day, which is evident while briefing the 49th Fighter Wing commander and the maintenance group commander with vital information on mission capable parts and other related mission requirements.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Vanessa LaBov

Her top-notch appearance is an example for other airmen to follow. She goes the extra yard to make sure the mission gets done in a timely fashion. Summed up Staff Sgt. Richardson is "excellence!"

Lt. Col. Calvin Butts

49th Logistics Readiness Squadron commander

The Holloman Hero submission form is available online. It can be downloaded at: https://wwwmil.holloman.af.mil/wing/49FW\_PA/internal.html

#### **CAP** meeting

The Alamogordo squadron of the Civil Air Patrol meets at 7 p.m., Tuesday at the White Sands Regional Airport, to discuss search and rescue and homeland security missions. Squadron leaders will also discuss the August search and rescue exercise.

The squadron is also looking for adults 18 and over who are interested in joining the organization. The CAP is an official auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force.

For more information, call Shirley Kay at 437-1004 or Tom Fuller at 437-4889.

#### **ALS** retreat

The Airman Leadership School Class 03-F graduation retreat will be at 10 a.m., Aug. 4 in the dorm mall area behind the PME Center. Commanders, first sergeants, supervisors, spouses, family and friends are invited to join the graduates for this event.

#### Office closure

The 49th Mission Support Squadron and 49th Fighter Wing staff offices will be closed from noon to 4 p.m., Aug. 8 for an official function. Please make arrangements to conduct business with these offices prior to that time.

#### What do you think?

Holloman officials are conducting a study to profile important information about the economic impact of Holloman Air Force Base in the region. The survey, which requires no identifying information, is being distributed on paper and over the Internet. Team Holloman members can take the survey online at <a href="http://iped.utep.edu/HAFB\_survey\_1.php">http://iped.utep.edu/HAFB\_survey\_1.php</a>.

#### **FSC classes**

The Family Support Center offers the following classes and events at the FSC, building 40:

- Spouse Employment Workshop: 12:30 p.m., Monday.
- Stress Management: 8 to 9 a.m., Tuesday.
- Resume Writing for Adults: 1:30 to 4 p.m., Tuesday.

For more information, contact the FSC at 572-7754 or visit the website at www.mil.holloman.af.mil/sptg/mss/fsc.

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The Holloman Base
Theater is closed for renovations until Aug. 14.

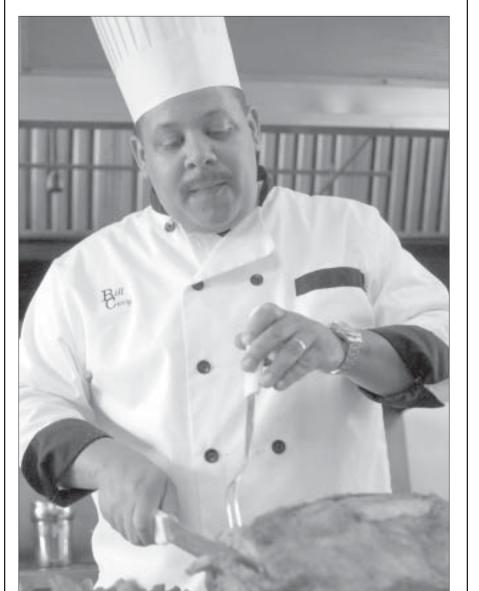


Photo by Airman 1st Class Vanessa LaBoy

Bill Curry, American Grille restaurant manager, slices prime rib in preparation for the restaurant's new dinner menu Wednesday night at the Officers Club. The American Grille is open to everyone on base.

#### Summer of the airman

The Airman's Advisory Council hosts a Jazz night from 7 p.m. to midnight, Aug 16, at the Enlisted Club. A Cajunstyle buffet will be served. A designated driver program will be available for the night.

#### Air Force news

Team Holloman members who live on or off base can tune into the Air Force news at 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., every day on channels one and 97.

The video also plays on the Commander's Access Channel (Channel 3, on base) at 6, 9, and 11 a.m., and 2, 5, and 7 p.m.

#### STARS mentoring

Parents of Holloman Primary School students who are interested in having their child participate in the STARS school-based mentoring program can sign up during Holloman Primary School school registration from 8 to 11 a.m., Aug. 6, 7 and 8.

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Otero County will have a STARS representative available for questions as well as assist with registration. Call Big Brothers and Big Sisters at 434-3652 for more information.

#### Kids' play zone

The Kidsports Zone in the Whispering Sands Community Center is open 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Monday to Friday. This play zone is for children up to 10 years old with parental supervision at all times. Cost is \$20 for a 30-visit pass, \$10 for a 13-visit pass, \$5 for a 6-visit pass, and \$1 for a two-hour visit.

#### Cosmic bowling

Cosmic Bowling is from 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m., every Friday and Saturday at Desert Lanes Bowling Center. Cost is \$7 for up to four games and shoe rentals are 75 cents. Open bowling is 1 to 3 a.m. for

\$1.75 per game.

The bowling center also offers a Summer special for \$1 per game from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday to Thursday and \$1.50 per game from 4 to 10 p.m. This special runs all summer.

For more information, call Desert Lanes Bowling Center at 572-7378.

#### **Golf**

The Apache Mesa Golf Course offers a summer special every Monday. Golf with a cart and play 18 holes for only \$15.

For more information call 572-3574.

#### **HESO** meeting

The Holloman Enlisted Spouses Organization meets at 6 p.m., the second Tuesday of the month, in the Community Center.

#### **American Grille**

The American Grille is now open from 4 to 8 p.m. every Sunday. Holloman's premiere restaurant, located at the officers' club, is open to all ranks.

#### **ALS** graduation

The Airman Leadership School graduation banquet is at 6 p.m., Tuesday in the ballroom of the Oasis Enlisted Club. Commanders, first sergeants, supervisors, family, and friends are invited to join the graduates in celebrating. Make reservations with an ALS student by today.

#### APDC graduation

The Airman Professional Development Course class graduation is at 4:15 p.m., Thursday in the Coyote/Roadrunner room of the Whispering Sands Community Center. The event is open to all supervisors, first sergeants and commanders.

#### Family advocacy workshop

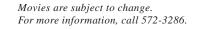
The Family Advocacy Specific Training and Dynamics of Family Abuse workshop is 2 to 4:30 p.m., Aug. 15 in the Community Center. All commanders, first sergeants and supervisors are highly encouraged to attend.

For more information and to RSVP, call Howard Hill at 572-7061.

#### White Sands survival

The staff of White Sands National Monument hosts a five-mile, ranger-led hike through the monument to learn about desert adaptation and survival. The staff recommends hikers bring two quarts of drinking water, snacks, and sun protection.

The hike begins at 8 a.m., Saturday begining at the Alkali Flat parking lot at the end of Dunes Drive. Call 679-2599 for information.



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# New commander takes reins at 12th Air Force

By Tech. Sgt. Karin Wickwire Twelfth Air Force Public Affairs

Lt. Gen. Randall M. Schmidt became the commander of Twelfth Air Force July 25 at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz.

During the change of command ceremony, Lt. Gen. Schmidt assumed command of the numbered air force from Lt. Gen. William T. Hobbins. Lt. Gen. Hobbins' next position will be as the new Deputy Chief of Staff, Warfighting Integration at the Pentagon.

With two previous commands in Twelfth Air Force, as the 24th Wing commander at Howard Air Base, Panama, and 366th Wing commander, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho, Schmidt is familiar with the NAF mission.

"I'm honored to be back in Air Combat Command and to serve with the men and women of Twelfth Air Force," said Schmidt.

"From its inception Twelfth Air Force has maintained an expeditionary mission and focus, and that has never been more true than today. We face many challenges as we reconstitute our air expeditionary force structure, and reestablish our expeditionary battle-rhythm. Many members of Twelfth Air Force deployed time and again in recent years, and will be key to that effort," the general said

As the Air Force Component Commander to U.S. Southern Command, Twelfth Air Force joins with its Latin American neighbors in ensuring security in the western hemisphere in the continuation of the global war on terrorism and illegal drugs. Through



Photo by Senior Airman Maryann Walker

Lt. Gen. Randall M. Schmidt, the new Twelfth Air Force commander, makes comments during his change of command ceremony.

cooperative engagement in the region, members of Twelfth Air Force and other services have established a strong and lasting bond, ensuring success and partnership for years to come, according to Schmidt.

"Across the spectrum we face the challenges of transformation and reconstitution while we seek to take care of our people and infrastructure. We must ensure that we focus our 'buck' where we get the most 'bang' in return. Dollars and effort spent on our people and their families are a smart investment; our recent enemies can testify to the 'bang' we're getting for our air and space power bucks," he said.

"I challenge us to continue to hone the spear to ensure we are ready when called again to defend the freedoms and vital interests of the United States and her allies."

#### Air Force seeks female MTIs

Military training instructors teach basic trainees how to become airmen, and the Air Force would like basic trainees to have more female instructors to look up to.

"We're working to increase our percentage of female MTIs from 13 to 19 percent by October," said Col. Sharon Dunbar, commander of Air Force basic military training. "We'd like top performers to return to their roots to help cultivate the future combat capability of our Air Force."

Razor-sharp senior airmen and above who are interested in MTI duty can find more application information at www.lackland.af.mil/737web/org.cfm?content=MTI\_duty. Those interested can also call Lackland's MTI recruiting team for information at DSN 473-1016 or (210) 671-1016. (AETC News Service)

# Thanks for the memories

Airmen around the world mourn the loss of Bob Hope, one of only two Americans ever to be made an honorary Veteran of America's Armed Forces. He was 100. In this photo, Hope entertains the troops with a 10-minute monologue in 1990 after a ceremony to rename the Thunderbird Theater at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, as the **Bob Hope Performing** Arts Center. The ceremony honored Hope's 50 years of entertaining American armed forces around the world. Hope called the troops his "best friends" and made it his mission to be with them wherever they served, regardless of distance or danger. His final tour, at age 90, took him to the Persian Gulf and the men and women of Operation Desert Storm.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Michael Haggerty

## Air Force clubs launch membership drive

Many airmen
joined the Air Force
with dreams of
seeing the world.
Some actually do,
while others spend
a career only
dreaming of seeing
the Alps Waikiki or the Big

the Alps, Waikiki or the Big Ben.

Air Force Services Agency officials hope to fulfill some of those dreams with their 2003 club membership drive. The drive, called "Travel the World on Us," runs Aug. 18 through Oct. 31.

More than 140 people will win travel-related prizes valued from \$500 to \$5,000 just for becoming club members. The drive is open to all eligible nonmembers including active duty, reserve, civilians and retirees.

"The wonderful thing about this year's drive is that people can go from Broadway to Fiji; it's up to them," said Frank Black, Air Force clubs divi-



sion chief. "We like it when we can offer people the right to choose."

This year's winners are allowed to choose their own destinations, according to Black.

"If you win the \$5,000 prize, you could fly to Paris, take a cruise, rent a car, then use the balance to go see a sporting event," he said.

All prizes are redeemed through local information, tickets and travel offices.

"We ... know our travel agents will do everything they can to make sure winners have a smooth transition when redeeming their prizes," said Denise Lanier, the Air Force ITT chief.

Winners on bases without ITT facilities will be able to contact the Air Force Services Agency central ticket office to redeem

their prizes, she said.

Current club members are also eligible for a set of prizes and are automatically entered to win, officials said.

"We want our loyal members, who are the backbone of clubs, to know that we appreciate them as well," said Fred Fried, Air Force clubs operations branch chief.

Besides meals and entertainment, other member benefits include special discounts on food, entertainment, special functions and bingo, chances to win trips to the Super Bowl, Pro Bowl and a regular season NFL game.

For a membership application or more information, visit a local club.

## Team Air Force cycles across Iowa

by Cynthia Bauer Air Mobility Command Public Affairs

The Team Air Force cycling team rode into town here July 27 in military formation, met by cheers, applause and chants of "Air Force, Air Force..."
The event marked the end of the seven-day, 450-mile Des Moines Register's Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa.

The team, comprising about 90 cyclists and two dozen support people from 27 Air Force bases began this different kind of "deployment cycle" July 20 at Glenwood, in the western part of the state.

The team camped out at six en route locations, working with Air Force Recruiting Service to promote Air Force employment opportunities. It was the ninth year the Air Force team participated in the bike ride. There were 8,500 registered riders and several thousand more unregistered riders in what officials said is the oldest and largest event of its kind in the nation.

"On the road" team director Col. Bob Norman from the Tanker Airlift Control Center at Scott Air Force Base, Ill., said the recruiting event provides the Air Force with a recruiting venue like no other..

"There's no other event like this," Norman said. "Where else can you take part in a 'rolling state fair,' and talk to people from all over the country as well as America's heartland about the Air Force?"

Norman, a three-time veteran, as well as the other riders and support team passed out small promotional items along the way, including stickers, key chains, pins, pencils and pens. They talked to city leaders, other cyclists, local townspeople and children.

"Where else can you try to recruit Miss Iowa National Preteen and talk to city officials who are retired military in one packed week?" Norman asked.

First-time rider Brig. Gen.



Photo by Master Sgt. Shawn Murphy

Staff Sgt. Brad Whitmill and Dr. Carol Belt lead the Team Air Force cyclists in Ft. Madison, lowa July 26. The destination marked the end of the seven-day, 450-mile Des Moines Register's Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa. The American flag on Belt's bike had been recently flown over Baghdad, Iraq, and Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan. It was carried to honor American forces serving in operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. Whitmill is stationed at Offut Air Force Base, Neb., and Belt is from Scott AFB, III.

Pete Worden of the Space and Missile Systems Center at Los Angeles AFB, Calif., said he had wanted to ride in the event for several years. He said the ride was a great recruiting event.

"The Air Force was put in a good light. We reached the 10,000-plus riders on the event, and touched at least another 100,000 people along the way," Worden said.

He said cycling with the team was great for the riders, too.

"Not only do you get this great sense of camaraderie with the team, you get a real sense of the depth of respect and affection the people of this country have for us," he said.

It was the fifth ride for 1st Lt. Clara Coble from Hill AFB, Utah. She said recruiting was a big part of the ride, but there was more, too.

"We get to build on the camaraderie of the Air Force team, network and connect with people from all the other Air Force base cycling teams. The Air Force is such a big family," she said.

At Mount Pleasant, a family invited the team to spend the night in their back yard. Doris

and Larry Price's yard was filled with welcome signs and flags as the team rolled into town.

"Three years ago, the team came through Washington, (Iowa), (visiting) a retirement home my daughter works at. I said then, if the Air Force team ever came through, I'd host them here," she said.

Her son David is an Air Force staff sergeant who talked to team leaders back in May and arranged for the team to stay with his mom and dad.

Senior Master Sgt. Iris
Rowand provided a special
touch at the end of the ride.
She had returned from a
Southwest Asia deployment a
few days before the ride. She
brought with her an American
flag that was carried on one of
the lead cycles for the military
formation into Fort Madison
on the final stretch of the 450mile journey.

"I had this flag flown over Baghdad and Bagram (Air Base, Afghanistan). I brought the flag to (the ride) to lead the parade into town to honor American forces still deployed in support of operations Iraqi (Freedom) and Enduring Freedom," she said. (AFPN)

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# Watch out Tiger, here they come

by Airman 1st Class Vanessa LaBoy

49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

While most kids are diving into summer at the pool, more than 50 Team Holloman children are teeing off at Holloman's Apache Mesa Golf Course.

The U.S. Kids Golf Program is a nineweek golfing camp for children ages 6 to 17 years old that teaches them the basics of the sport.

Vaiee Teofilo, Apache Mesa Golf Course assistant manager and teaching professional, along with four other golf instructors, teach children the proper way to grip clubs, swing and putt, as well as golf course etiquette.

"They are going to learn etiquette and a little discipline," Teofilo said. "That's the main thing they learn - discipline. Golf teaches kids to be better people. It teaches them patience and how to stay level-headed."

According to Teofilo, last year's camp was very successful and only two weeks after putting out the announcement that this year's camp was accepting participants, the class was full.

"I've been doing this for seven to eight years," Teofilo said. "This is the first time I have had so many kids. Next year we will prepare for more by getting more instructors; right now we have five or six, we hope to get 10 for the amount of children interested."

For \$50, kids get the golf lessons, a junior set of golf clubs, a hat and a T-shirt.

"It's a neat opportunity for the kids to experience a sport they otherwise wouldn't be able to do," said Silvi Sullivan, mother of golf camp participant. "They have a lot of fun; I think they get a lot out of it because the instructors do a great job."

The aspiring Tiger Woodses are taking to the driving range to perfect their swing and to the putting green to practice chipping on and off the green. At the end of the course, the children show off what they've learned in a golf tournament.

"Last year, I only participated in about three weeks of the program and I loved it," said Dorothee Sullivan, 13. "It was my first time holding a club, and the instructors taught me to hold it properly and how to stand. This year I wanted to go through the whole program and learn even more. I like golfing. It's fun!"

For more information call the Apache Mesa Golf Course at 572-3574.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Sam Bendet



Photo by Airman 1st Class Vanessa Lab

Tyler Bendet, son of Staff Sgt. Sam Bendet, 49th Communications Squadron prepares to drive a ball at Holloman's golf camp.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Sam Bende

Vaiee Teofilo, Holloman Apache Mesa Golf Course assistant manager, gives little golfers an overview of the day's activities and lessons.

Ryan Hudson practices his swing on the driving range with the help of his golfing instructor. Vaiee Teofilo.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Vanessa Laboy

#### **Bump shot**

Jenifer Reese, 49th Communications Squadron setter/hitter, bumps the ball to keep it in play versus the 49th Services Squadron. Comm beat SVS 25-14, 25-23, Monday at the Fitness and Sports Center.

## Inside Intramurals

#### Soccer standings

Monday/Wednesday			Tuesday/Thursday						
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GAF Supply	3	0	1	.875	GAF HQ	3	0	0	1.000
GAF Electr Sq.	2	1	0	.667	49th MDG	2	1	0	.667
49th LRS	2	1	0	.667	GAF 1st Ln MX	1	1	1	.500
49th CES	2	1	1	.625	20th FS/7th CTS	1	1	1	.500
49th MMG	1	1	2	.500	GAF 2nd Ln MX	1	2	0	.333
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49th LRS	2	1	.667	49th CS A	4	1	.800
49th MXS	2	1	.667	4th SPCS	2	3	.400
49th MDG	1	2	.250	49th FW/MSS	2	3	.400
49th SFS	0	1	.000	49th CS B	1	2	.333
49th CES	0	2	.000	49th SVS	1	4	.200
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